

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the non-final Office Action mailed April 26, 2007, the Specification was objected to for a lack of Headings and for typos. In response, paragraphs 2, 25, 26 and 30 the Specification have been amended and Headings have been inserted.

The Drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.84(o) for not having legends. In response, Replacement Drawings for FIGS. 1 and 2 are attached hereto that include the legends for elements 10, 14, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 50 and 57.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Claim 1 has been amended to delete the phrases “such as” and “and the like.” Claim 1 has also been amended to positively recite the elements of the claimed device.

Claims 3-10 were objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper multiple dependent form, and were not further treated on the merits. Claims 3-10 have been amended to conform with U.S. practice and to include only multiple dependencies that refer to the other claims in the alternative. New claim 11 has also been added, which includes a feature deleted from original claim 1.

Claims 1-2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 (b) as being anticipated by WO 01/39222 to James et al. (“James”) The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. By this Response, claim 1 has been amended to recite the following:

A device for a security system for an installation, comprising:
a plurality of detectors placed in or adjacent to a habitat in which
an object that carries out work which results in heat generation is isolated from
the surroundings outside of the habitat, and where an overpressure of air is set

up inside the habitat to prevent ingress of flammable gases, the detectors adapted to register the overpressure of air inside the habitat;

an alarm system that can warn of irregularities; and

a shut-down central to which the detectors and the alarm system are electrically connected;

wherein the shut-down central is arranged to shut down operation of the heat generating equipment when irregularities arise in the operation of the habitat.

The amendments to claim 1 are supported at least by paragraphs [0027]-[0029] and [0032] of the application as originally filed.

James does not disclose each and feature of claim 1, as amended. James does not disclose a plurality of detectors placed in or adjacent to a habitat in which an object that carries out work which results in heat generation is isolated from the surroundings outside of the habitat, and where an overpressure of air is set up inside the habitat to prevent ingress of flammable gases, the detectors adapted to register the overpressure of air inside the habitat. Rather, James discloses detectors in relation to a home or other point of use with a gas (not air) supply. James does not disclose a habitat in which an object that carries out work which results in heat generation is isolated from the surroundings outside of the habitat, and where an overpressure of air is set up inside the habitat to prevent ingress of flammable gases. Thus, James does not disclose detectors adapted to register the overpressure of air inside the habitat from the surroundings outside of the habitat. This is noteworthy because, isolated from the surroundings outside of the habitat, is an object that carries out work which results in heat generation, thus the

ingress of flammable gases in the habitat might pose a safety problem. Since James does not disclose each and every feature of amended claim 1, it does not anticipate amended claim 1. The dependent claims that depend from claim 1 are patentable over James for at least the same reasons as claim 1 and for the additional features recited therein. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §102 (b) rejection.

Conclusion

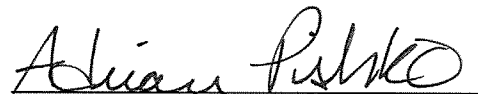
All objections and rejections having been addressed, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests prompt notification of the same. Should it be deemed necessary to facilitate prosecution of the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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